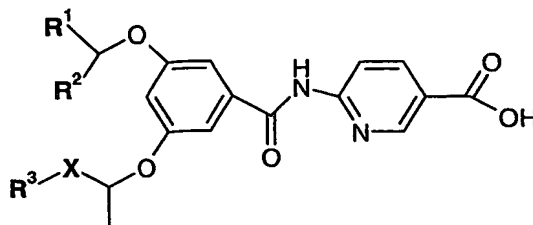


**Claims:**

1. A compound of Formula (I):



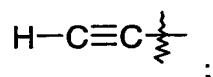
Formula (I)

wherein:

$R^1$  is selected from hydrogen and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl;

$R^2$  is selected from:  $R^4-C(R^{5a}R^{5b})-$ ,  $R^4=C(R^6)-$  and  $R^{7a}C(R^{7b})=C(R^6)-$ ;

$R^3-X-$  is selected from methyl, methoxymethyl and



$R^4$  is selected from  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl, phenyl,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl and heteroaryl, wherein  $R^4$  is

optionally substituted by one or two substituents independently selected from  $R^8$ ;

$R^{5a}$  and  $R^{5b}$  are independently selected from hydrogen, fluoro and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl;

$R^6$  is selected from hydrogen and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl;

$R^{7a}$  and  $R^{7b}$  are independently selected from  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl wherein  $R^{7a}$  and  $R^{7b}$  are

optionally substituted by one or two substituents independently selected from  $R^8$ ;

$R^8$  is independently selected from  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl,  $C_{1-3}$ alkoxy, fluoro and chloro;

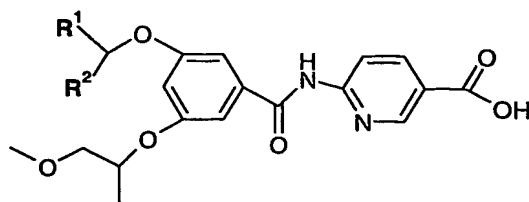
with the proviso that:

(i) at least one of  $R^{5a}$  and  $R^{5b}$  is fluoro; and

(ii) when  $R^2$  is  $R^4=C(R^6)-$  then  $R^4$  is  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl;

or a salt, pro-drug or solvate thereof.

2. A compound of formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1, which is a compound of Formula (Ia)



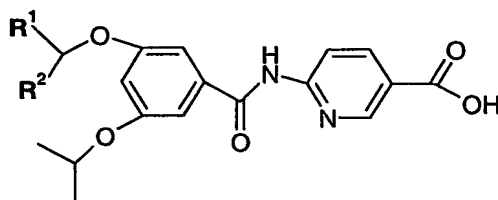
Formula (Ia)

wherein:

$R^1$  and  $R^2$  are as in claim 1;

5 or a salt, solvate or pro-drug thereof.

3. A compound of formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1, which is a compound of a compound of Formula (Ic)



Formula (Ic)

wherein:

$R^1$  and  $R^2$  are as defined in Claim 1;

or a salt, solvate or pro-drug thereof.

15 4. A compound as claimed in any of claims 1 to 3, wherein  $R^2$  is  $R^4-C(R^{5a}R^{5b})-$ , or a salt, solvate or pro-drug thereof.

5. A compound as claimed in any of claims 1 to 3, wherein  $R^2$  is  $R^4=C(R^6)-$ ; or a salt, solvate or pro-drug thereof.

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6. A compound of formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1, wherein

$R^1$  is hydrogen;

$R^2$  is selected from:  $R^4-C(R^{5a}R^{5b})-$  and  $R^4=C(R^6)-$ ;

$R^3-X-$  is selected from methyl and methoxymethyl;

25  $R^4$  is selected from phenyl and  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl, wherein  $R^4$  is optionally substituted by one or two substituents independently selected from  $R^7$ ;

$R^{5a}$  and  $R^{5b}$  are independently selected from hydrogen and fluoro;

$R^6$  is hydrogen;

$R^7$  is independently selected from  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl,  $C_{1-3}$ alkoxy, fluoro and chloro;

with the proviso that:

- 5 (iii) at least one of  $R^{5a}$  and  $R^{5b}$  is fluoro;  
(iv) when  $R^2$  is  $R^4=C(R^6)-$  then  $R^4$  is  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl;

or a salt, solvate or pro-drug thereof.

7. A compound of formula (I) as claimed in Claim 6 wherein  $R^7$  is unsubstituted; or a  
10 salt, solvate or pro-drug thereof.

8. A compound of formula (I) as claimed in Claim 6 wherein both  $R^{5a}$  and  $R^{5b}$  are fluoro; or a salt, solvate or pro-drug thereof.

15 9. A compound of formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1, which compound is selected from:

6-{[(3-[(2,2-difluoro-2-phenylethyl)oxy]-5-[(1S)-1-methyl-2-(methyloxy)ethyl]oxy}phenyl)carbonyl]amino}pyridine-3-carboxylic acid;

6-[(3-[(2,2-difluoro-2-phenylethyl)oxy]-5-[(1-methylethyl)oxy]phenyl)carbonyl]amino]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid ;

20 6-{[(3-[(2-cyclopentylideneethyl)oxy]-5-[(1S)-1-methyl-2-(methyloxy)ethyl]oxy}phenyl)carbonyl]amino}pyridine-3-carboxylic acid; and

6-{[(3-[(2-cyclopentylideneethyl)oxy]-5-[(1-methylethyl)oxy]phenyl)carbonyl]amino]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid;

or a salt, solvate or pro-drug thereof.

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10. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of Formula (I) as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 9, or a salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, together with a pharmaceutically-acceptable diluent or carrier.

30 11. A compound of Formula (I), as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 9, or a salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, for use as a medicament.

12. A compound of Formula (I), as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 9, or a salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, for use in the preparation of a medicament for treatment of a disease mediated through GLK, in particular type 2 diabetes.

5 13. A method of treating GLK mediated diseases, especially diabetes, by administering an effective amount of a compound of Formula (I), as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 9, or a salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, to a mammal in need of such treatment.

14. The use of a compound of Formula (I), as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 9, or salt,  
10 solvate or pro-drug thereof, in the preparation of a medicament for use in the combined treatment or prevention of diabetes and obesity.

15. The use of a compound of Formula (I), as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 9, or salt, solvate or pro-drug thereof, in the preparation of a medicament for use in the treatment or  
15 prevention of obesity.

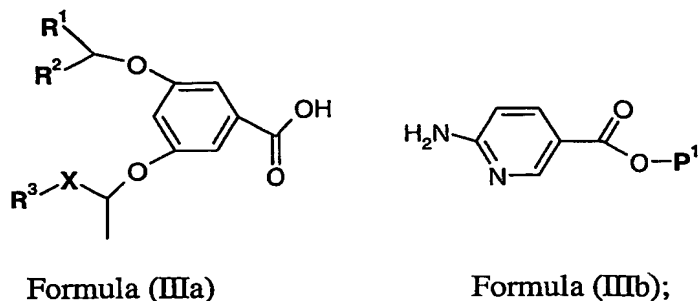
16. A method for the combined treatment of obesity and diabetes by administering an effective amount of a compound of Formula (I), as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 9, or salt, solvate or pro-drug thereof, to a mammal in need of such treatment.

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17. A method for the treatment of obesity by administering an effective amount of a compound of Formula (I), as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 9, or salt, solvate or pro-drug thereof, to a mammal in need of such treatment.

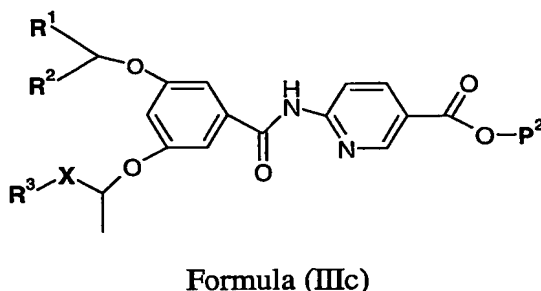
25 18. A process for the preparation of a compound of Formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1, a salt, pro-drug or solvate thereof which comprises:  
comprises:

(a) reaction of an acid of Formula (IIIa) or activated derivative thereof with a compound of Formula (IIIb),



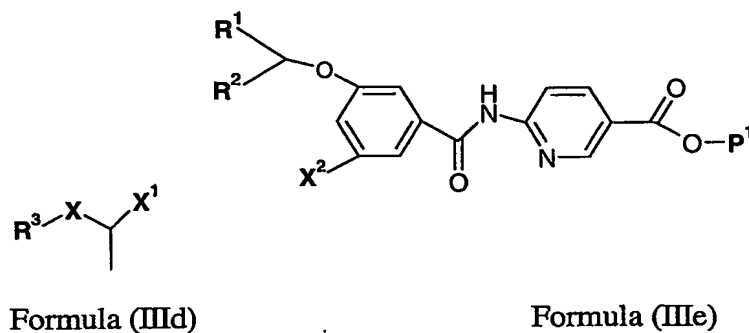
5 wherein  $P^1$  is hydrogen or a protecting group; or

(b) de-protection of a compound of Formula (IIIc),



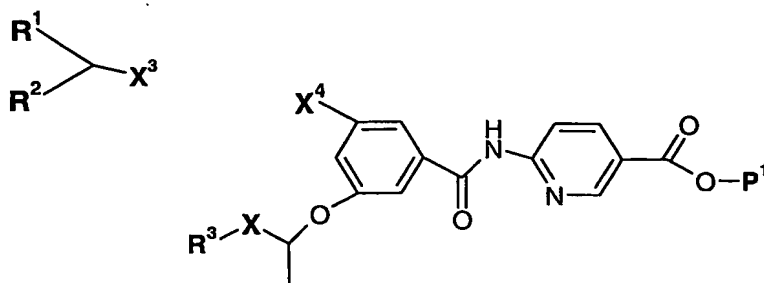
wherein  $P^2$  is a protecting group; or

10 (c) reaction of a compound of Formula (IIId) with a compound of Formula (IIIe),



wherein  $X^1$  is a leaving group and  $X^2$  is a hydroxyl group or  $X^1$  is a hydroxyl group and  $X^2$  is a leaving group and wherein  $P^1$  is hydrogen or a protecting group; or

15 (d) reaction of a compound of Formula (IIIf) with a compound of Formula (IIIg)

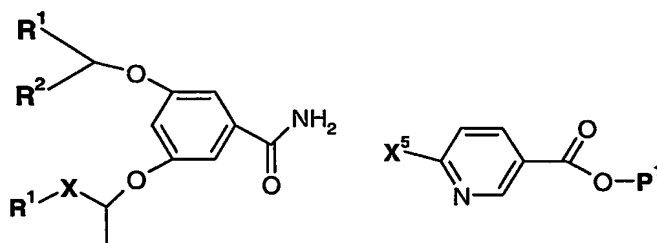


Formula (IIIg)

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wherein  $X^3$  is a leaving group and  $X^4$  is a hydroxyl group or  $X^3$  is a hydroxyl group and  $X^4$  is a leaving group wherein  $P^1$  is hydrogen or a protecting group; or

5 (e) reaction of a compound of Formula (IIIh) with a compound of Formula (IIIi),



Formula (IIIh)

Formula (IIIi);

wherein  $X^5$  is a leaving group and wherein  $P^1$  is hydrogen or a protecting group; and thereafter, if necessary:

- 10 i) converting a compound of Formula (I) into another compound of Formula (I);
- ii) removing any protecting groups;
- iii) forming a salt, pro-drug or solvate thereof.